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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7485**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1659

**NOTE PREPARED:** Apr 28, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:** Apr 26, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Regional sewer districts.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Wolkins

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Gard

**BILL STATUS:** Enrolled

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                          **DEDICATED**  
                          **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (CCR Amended) This bill provides that a regional sewer district must base its rates and charges on factors that are necessary to establish nondiscriminatory, just, and equitable rates and charges. The bill allows a campground that brought a legal action after January 1, 2000, and before April 1, 2003, against a district board concerning sewage service billed at a flat rate to elect to be billed for sewage service based on the campground's resident equivalent units.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** Providing that a regional sewer district in the establishment of rates or charges must base rates or charges on certain factors could have an impact on local revenues. The bill also allows certain campgrounds billed at a flat rate to elect to be billed for sewage service based on the campground's resident equivalent units. The impact of both these provisions is indeterminable but would depend on current methodologies used and how these methodologies differ from the proposed. The second provision will likely result in a reduction in revenue generated for local units.

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Regional sewer districts.

**Information Sources:**

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